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For: PROTEOGLYCAN ISOLATED FROM

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Applicant is extremely grateful to the Commissioner for this consideration.

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) **CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** 2003-077778 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/JP2004/003431 15 March 2004 20 September 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION Proteoglycan Isolated From Cartilaginous Fish and Process for Producing the Same APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Kenji Sato et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). Х A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. a. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. X Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). a. have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. C. d.l have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. Х An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11 An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12.| x An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. x A preliminary amendment. 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. A substitute specification. 16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. x A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825. 18. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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DECISION

ON PETITIONS UNDER

37 CFR 1.10(e) and 37 CFR 1.137(b)

This decision is in response to applicants' "Petition to Accept 371 National Phase Application As Timely Filed," and "Petition For Revival of an International Application For Patent Designating the U.S. Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b)," filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on 11 April 2006.

BACKGROUND

On 15 March 2004, applicants filed international application PCT/JP04/03432, claiming a priority date of 20 March 2003. A copy of the international application was transmitted to the Office by the IB on 30 September 2004. The deadline for entry into the national stage in the United States was 20 September 2005.

On 20 September 2005, applicants filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national phase in the United States, accompanied by the basic national fee and a declaration of the inventors.

On 29 March 2006, applicants filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.10(e), accompanied by copies of what applicants claim was submitted on 20 September 2005.

On 03 April 2006, applicants filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), accompanied by a second payment of fees.

DISCUSSION

Applicants state that the 20 September 2005 papers sent to the Office were lost and that the Office has no record of the documents other than the cashed check. Applicants are mistaken. The 20 September 2005 papers are present in the file. The application is not abandoned. Applicants' petition to revive fee and duplicate national fees paid 03 April 2006, will be refunded to deposit account no. 06-2375, as authorized.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, the petitions under 37 CFR 1.10(e) and 37 CFR 1.137(b) are **DISMISSED AS MOOT**.

This application is being referred to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations for further processing. The application has a 35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date of 20 September 2005.

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